

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 285

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Pam Tomlinson on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Pam Tomlinson is one such estimable person who, having served with distinction throughout her thirty-one-year tenure at the University Medical Center (UMC), will soon begin a much deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, a life-long resident of Lebanon, Mrs. Tomlinson is the daughter of Sheriff Joe Graves and Bonnie McCown Graves, who taught her the value of hard work and service to others; and

WHEREAS, Pam Tomlinson graduated from Lebanon High School in 1966, where she was voted "Most Likely to Succeed", and graduated from Falls Business College in Nashville in 1967; and

WHEREAS, offering her extraordinary organizational skills, tireless work ethic, and uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life, Mrs. Tomlinson served as the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Engineer for the Ross Gear Division of TRW Automotive Inc., from 1967-1974 and as the Administrative Assistant to the County Executives for Wilson County Government from 1975-1978; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Tomlinson joined UMC before it opened in April 1979, and, from her unique vantage point, she has witnessed the hospital expand from a small center with only sixty-five beds into a two campus, world-class health facility with 245 beds; and

WHEREAS, in her early years at UMC, Pam Tomlinson served with acumen and alacrity as the secretary and assistant to the administrator, personnel co-coordinator, medical staff coordinator, physician recruiter, and credentialing department, all at the same time; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Tomlinson's diligent efforts and unsurpassed integrity did not go unnoticed, and, she was promoted to assistant human resources director and then human resources director; and

WHEREAS, an active and important part of her community, Mrs. Tomlinson is a member of the Lebanon Rotary Club and a monthly book club; and

WHEREAS, her many accomplishments aside, Pam Tomlinson is most appreciative of the love and companionship she shares with her husband of more than forty years, Larry Tomlinson; her two wonderful children, Leslie Thompson and Jennifer Jones; and her six precious grandchildren, Carly Warmath, Casey Thompson, Cameron Thompson, Christian Thompson, Hunter Jones, and Carson Jones; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Tomlinson is looking forward to spending time reading, cooking, gardening, and spending time with her grandchildren during the golden years of her retirement; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Tomlinson exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Pam Tomlinson has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and honor, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we extend to Pam Tomlinson our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.